REMARKS

The present amendment is submitted in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated May 22, 2008 and the telephone conferences held with the Examiner on May 20, 2008 and July 7, 2008. As indicated to the Examiner during the telephone conference of July 7, 2008, there was no record of receipt of the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment by the undersigned's office. Accordingly, the Applicants and undersigned wish to gratefully thank the Examiner for alerting the undersigned on July 7, 2008 that a Notice of Noncompliant Amendment dated May 22, 2008 was still outstanding.

The claims presented in the Non-Compliant Amendment filed on May 8, 2008 have been amended to conform to the Examiner's amendment communicated in the telephone conference to the undersigned on May 20, 2008 and the need to reference canceled claim 2 which was inadvertently omitted in the May 8, 2008 Non-Compliant Amendment. Claims 1 and 6 remain in this application. Claims 2-5 have been canceled. No new matter has been added. In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance and the Applicants respectfully request a notice to this effect.

If any informalities remain, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned at 914-333-9632 in order to expedite allowance.

Please charge any fee deficiencies, including any extension fee needed, and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 14-1270.

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